



SAFETY ALERT BULLETIN

INJURED
MINER'S
POSITION



RIB ROLL

On January 19, 2010, at about 8:15 AM, an injury occurred to a miner who was observing the pressure gauges on Mobile Roof Support equipment. The injured miner and two other mine personnel were in the process of pillar recovery, when an adjacent rib rolled off, striking the injured miner, pinning his right leg underneath a large mass of coal and rock. The rock and coal material measured approximately 11 feet long, 75 inches high, and 6 to 19 inches thick.

His left leg was twisted and pinned beneath his right leg. The left ankle was dislocated and he had two (2) broken bones in his lower left leg. He also had a laceration to his left calf.

1. In addition to the required preshift and onshift examinations of the work area, additional examinations should be conducted as often as necessary.
2. Only those persons involved in mining/hauling coal, installing roof supports or making regulatory checks should be allowed in the working place where coal is being mined.

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